

G-V-B-006
Grange Hall
Gorman
Private

ca. 1920's

This grange hall is a frame, one story, gable-roofed building on a log post foundation. It measures one bay by four bays with the facade occupying a one bay gable end. The sills are made of both hewn and circular sawn timbers, the siding consists of two different widths of German siding, and all windows are two over two sash. This hall was constructed with scrap lumber from a store in the area that was torn down, which may explain its inconsistent use of materials. Several other grange halls in the county follow the same general configuration as this building: a one story, oblong plan with a gable end facade.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Grange Hall

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

White Church-Steyer Rd. - S side, .3 mile SE of MD Route 560

CITY, TOWN

Gorman

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

☒ VICINITY OF

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT**OWNERSHIP**☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED**STATUS**☐ OCCUPIED☒ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS**ACCESSIBLE**☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO**PRESENT USE**☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☒ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Francis L. Steyer

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 151

Folio #: 587

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION☐ EXCELLENT☐ GOOD☒ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE**☒ UNALTERED☐ ALTERED**CHECK ONE**☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED

DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Grange Hall is located on the south side of White Church-Steyer Road approximately .3 mile southeast of its junction with Maryland Route 560. It sits directly across the road from White Church (G-V-B-001) in an area that was formerly known as the town of Kearney. The building is situated about ten feet from the road with its facade pointing northeast.

The Grange is a frame, one story, gable-roofed building on a log post foundation. It measures one bay by four bays with the facade occupying a one bay gable end. The sills are made of both hewn and circular sawn timbers that are half-lapped at the corners. All windows are two over two sash with plain board surrounds and simple drip moldings. The facade is pierced by a four-panel door and has a plank platform beneath the door. Whitewashed German siding with cornerboards covers the exterior walls; a narrower German siding is used on the facade. The roof is covered with asphalt roll siding and has a fascia board cornice. A "Wards" furnace sits underneath the building and an exterior cinderblock chimney is located on the northwest wall.

The building is no longer used.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1930	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES	ca. 1920's	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

It is said that this Grange Hall was built in the 1920's with the lumber from a store that was torn down in Kearney.¹ Dismantling old buildings and using the materials to erect new ones was a common practice in Garrett County. The inconsistent use of materials in this building (i.e. hewn and machine sawn lumber, different types of siding) supports the idea that it was constructed with scrap lumber.

This one story, oblong plan with a gable end facade seems to have been an accepted form for grange halls as evidenced by similar granges in the county. (see G-V-A-134 Pleasant Valley Grange Hall, and G-V-A-081 Sunnyside Grange Hall)

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES¹Harvey, Grant S. Interview May 13, 1981.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Valerie Cesna

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

June 1981

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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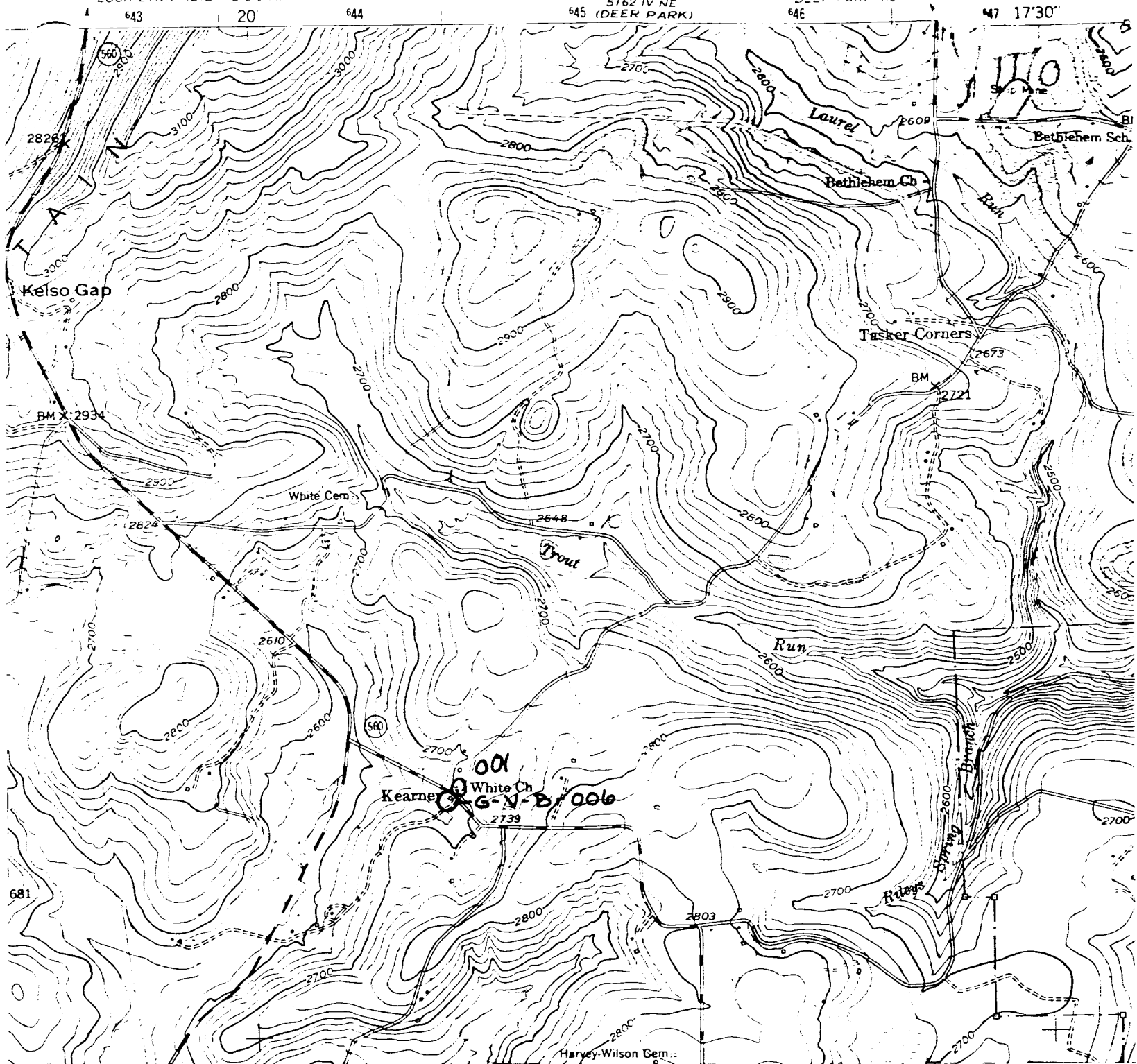
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STATE OF MARYLAND
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

OAKLAND TOWN U.S. 21.9 N.E. M.
LOCH LYNN HEIGHTS 2.6 M.

DEEP PARK 4.5 M.



Gorman, MD-WV
USGS 7.5 Minute Series
Scale - 1:24,000
1949; photorevised 1974

Site #: G-V-B-006
Grange Hall
White Church-Steyer Rd. - .3 mile
SE of MD Route 560



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Grange Hall

Garrett Co., MD

Valerie Cesna 2/26/81

SE & NE elevs.

FIGURE 206.



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Grange Hall

Garrett Co., MD

Valerie Cesna 5/13/81

SW & SE elevs.